GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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Collection of Census Data
Birla Shri Om

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the expenditure incurred by the Government on collection of census data during the last three years;

(b) whether the Government has gained any revenue by selling census data; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a): Madam; the last Census was conducted in the year 2011. The total cost incurred in conducting Census 2011 was approximately Rs.1970 crore.

(b): Yes Madam.

(c): The objective of the Government is to disseminate Census data as widely as possible. Hence, it is made available free of cost over the internet. However, the data-sets/publications are also priced and sold to data users. The details of amount gained by selling Census data during the last three years and the current year are as under:

Financial Year	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16 (Upto Nov.2015)	Total
Amount (Rs.)	59,94,379	1,12,82,512	1,19,48,461	1,29,23,926	4,21,49,278

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